

~~SECRET~~
INFORMATION REPORT

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

COUNTRY Germany (Russian Zone)

SUBJECT Production of Industrial Diamonds
by the Carl Zeiss Factory, Jena

PLACE
ACQUIRED

DATE OF
25X1X

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

CD NO.

DATE DISTR. 9 Mar 1949

NO. OF PAGES 1

NO. OF ENCLS.
(LISTED BELOW)

SUPPLEMENT TO
REPORT NO.

RETURN TO CIA LIBRARY

- 25X1X
1. In August 1948 the Carl Zeiss factory in Jena was instructed by General Smirnoff of the SMA Karlshorst to start production of industrial diamonds (Ziehdiamanten) on 1 December 1948. The former supplier of diamonds, the Dram Works (sic) in the British Sector, can no longer make deliveries because of the Western blockade. The SMA has ordered a production rate 1 1/2 times greater than that for all of Germany in 1938, i.e., 3,600 (carats?) as against 2,400 in 1938.
 2. Dr. Schrade, Director of Carl Zeiss and the Industrievereinigung Optik (Optics Industrial Association), has been authorized by General Smirnoff to merge the entire Industrievereinigung Optik with Zeiss to reach this goal. Since this is a completely new production field for the Carl Zeiss firm, qualified workmen to staff the new section must be found and employed, enough to run three shifts daily.

Comment: The production of industrial diamonds appears to be a crucial problem for the SMA. Originally production was to begin 1 December 1948. However, in October the SMA instructed the Carl Zeiss factory to deliver 1,500 industrial diamonds by 31 December 1948. The SMA has even set a premium of 40,000 Deutsche Marks on the attainment of this goal.)

This document is hereby registered to
CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the
letter of 18 October 1978 from the
Director of Central Intelligence to the
Archivist of the United States.
Next Review Date: 2008

Document No. 89 3
NO CHANGE in Class. ☐
DECLASSIFIED
Class. CHANGED TO: TS S C
DDA Memo, 4 Apr 77
Auth: DDA REG. 77/1763
Date: 5 MAY 1978 By: 016

CLASSIFICATION ~~SECRET/CONTROL~~ - U.S. OFFICIALS ONLY

STATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NAVY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB		DISTRIBUTION									
ARMY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AIR	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI											

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~SECRET~~